

soil data for use in GIS. Digitizing of the Klamath County data is in progress and is expected to be completed soon. The Burns District has recently completed digitizing the soil data for all of Harney County. Vegetation, range condition, and sample site location data resulting from this survey effort are in the process of being digitized and input into the GIS. For more information on these efforts, contact Paul Whitman at 541-947-6110.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Over the past several years, volunteers have contributed many thousands of hours of time helping to conduct surveys and construct projects within the district, resulting in hundreds of thousands of dollars in savings to the government. Volunteers assist the BLM in accomplishing many things that otherwise could not be done due to budget limitations. A couple of student volunteer programs currently being used include the Apprenticeship in Science and Engineering program and the Resource Apprenticeship Program for Students (RAPS). There continues to be many opportunities for individuals or groups to volunteer time and experience. Some examples of the types of help BLM has obtained in the past and are looking for this year include:

- **Recreation:** Camp site hosts for various sites, river ranger patrols, or adopt a trail or campsite.
- **Fish and Wildlife:** Assistance in conducting surveys, monitoring, and habitat restoration.
- **Archaeology and History:** Surveys and inventory.
- **Wild Horses:** Herd monitoring.
- **Engineering and Surveying:** Constructing and maintaining facilities, signs, roads and trails.
- **Range and Forest Management:** Range improvement projects, tree plantings, and research.
- **Administrative Support:** Office staff to do administrative tasks such as typing, word processing, and answering phones.

There are other possibilities depending on your specific interests, experience, or desires. If you have time, energy, experience, enthusiasm, or interest BLM can use your help. If you are interested in any of the opportunities above, or have other ideas contact Scott Senter at 541-883-6916.